

NETWORK-BASED COMPUTER PLATFORM EXTERNAL ACCESS METHOD
AND SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A network-based computer platform external access method and system is pro-
5 posed, which is designed for use with a computer platform, especially with an I/O-
unequipped computer platform, such as a network server, for the externally controlling the
operations of the I/O-unequipped computer platform and monitoring responses from the
same. The proposed method and system normally allows the user to gain access to the
I/O-unequipped computer platform either in manual mode or auto mode. In auto mode, it
10 allows the user to perform an externally-monitored auto test procedure on the I/O-
unequipped computer platform by downloading a test-procedure description file via a net-
work system from a server to test the internal hardware/software configurations of the
I/O-unequipped computer platform. These features allow the network system management
personnel to perform network management tasks on the I/O-unequipped network server
15 more conveniently and efficiently.

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